

COUNTY OF YORK

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 6, 2001 (BOS Mtg. 10/2/01)

TO: York County Board of Supervisors

FROM: James O. McReynolds, County Administrator

SUBJECT: Membership Fee Subsidy Program

Background

As the Board is aware, Resolution R99-232(R) authorized the execution of an Agreement with the Peninsula Metropolitan YMCA to develop a community center on County-owned land in the Tabb area. Resolution R99-232(R) also directed staff to develop a subsidy program so that County residents are able to secure memberships to the James City County-Williamsburg Community Center (JCWCC) at a rate that is comparable to that paid by James City County residents. As you can see from the chart below, current non-resident membership fees are generally twice that of resident fees.

Current JCWCC Membership Fees

Family Access Pass		Resident	Non-Resident
Annual	\$320	\$640	
Semi-Annual	\$200		\$385
Adult Access Pass			
Annual	\$160	\$350	
Semi-Annual	\$ 95		\$200
Senior Access Pass			
Annual	\$125	\$250	
Semi-Annual	\$ 80		\$160
Youth Access Pass			
Annual	\$ 55	\$110	
Semi-Annual	\$ 35		\$ 65

The JCWCC operating schedule is: 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday; 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday; and 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday.

James River Community Center

Although previous correspondence and discussion of subsidizing membership fees has focused on the JCWCC, there is another community center facility that is operated by James City County, the James River Community Center (JRCC), that is a part of James River Elementary School on Route 60 near Carters Grove. This facility is smaller and less expensive (see chart below) to join than the JCWCC on Longhill Road and may be more convenient for some York County residents. Therefore, staff included the JRCC in the membership fee subsidy program as an option as well. However, the proposed subsidy program only allows for membership to the JCWCC or the JRCC to be subsidized, not memberships to both facilities.

Current JRCC Membership Fees

Family Access Pass		Resident	Non-Resident
Annual	\$45	\$70	
Semi-Annual		\$30	\$55
Adult Access Pass			
Annual	\$30	\$60	
Semi-Annual		\$20	\$35
Senior Access Pass			
Annual	\$20	\$40	
Semi-Annual		\$12	\$24
Youth Access Pass			
Annual	\$15	\$30	
Semi-Annual		\$10	\$20

The JRCC operating schedule is: 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday; 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday; and 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Membership Information

Non-residents are only eligible to purchase a membership for a 6-month (semi-annual) or 12-month (annual) period. Membership to the JCWCC allows unlimited use of the following facilities at no additional cost.

- Wood floor gymnasium designed to accommodate two full basketball courts or four volleyball courts
- Two-lane indoor suspended track
- 25-meter x 25-yard swimming pool with zero depth entry and wheelchair accessibility
- 16-person whirlpool
- Dry sauna in the men's and women's locker rooms
- Two glass-backed racquetball courts
- Teen lounge
- Fitness area equipped with free weights, 2 circuits of Cybex equipment, and Cardio equipment room with Broadcast Vision Theater
- Lobby living room with a large screen TV
- Family locker room

Membership to the JRCC allows unlimited use of the facilities listed below at no additional cost.

- Wood floor gymnasium designed to accommodate one full basketball court or two volleyball courts
- Multipurpose room with game tables and large screen TV
- One glass-backed racquetball court
- Fitness area equipped with a circuit of Cybex equipment, Cardio equipment, dumbbells, a weight bench, and a pull up dip station
- Men's and women's locker rooms with showers

It should be noted that membership fees do not cover class and program registration fees or child care fees that must be paid above and beyond the membership fee in order to participate. Furthermore, it is

not the intent of the proposed subsidy program to cover any cost of enrollment in classes, programs or child care services that are held in the facilities at either Center.

The attached Board Policy BP01-20 outlines the operating protocols for this program. Staff is proposing that the program be effective beginning November 1, 2001. Based on estimates of the amount of funding needed to provide subsidies for County residents, an allocation of expenditures up to \$75,000 from the Contingency Reserve should be adequate to cover the anticipated costs for this program.

Recommendation

I recommend that the Board adopt proposed Resolution R01-164, which authorizes implementation of the membership fee subsidy program for County residents who join the James City County-Williamsburg Community Center or the James River Community Center as outlined in the attached Board Policy BP01-20 and appropriates the necessary funding to support the program.

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Attachments:

- Resolution R99-232(R)
- Board Policy BP01-20
- Copy of Membership Application
- Contingency Reserve Fund Summary
- Resolution R01-164